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Former Professional Boxer Pleads to 1987 Killing of Ex-Manager

A former pro boxer pleaded no contest today to one count of voluntary manslaughter for the 1987 death of his ex-manager, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Deputy District Attorney Keri Modder said Exum Speight, 51, was immediately sentenced to 11 years in state prison for case SA085322.

Douglas Stumler, 30, was beaten to death inside his West Los Angeles apartment unit on March 29, 1987, the prosecutor said. His body was discovered two days later.

Speight was charged nearly 26 years later thanks in part to forensic evidence which linked him to the case, the prosecutor added. Shortly before Stumler's death, both men had a falling out, Modder said.

The case was investigated by the Los Angeles Police Department.

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About the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office

Los Angeles County District Attorney Jackie Lacey leads the largest local prosecutorial office in the nation. Her staff of nearly 1,000 attorneys, 300 investigators and 800 support staff members is dedicated to seeking justice for victims of crime and enhancing public safety. Last year, the <u>Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office</u> prosecuted more than 71,000 felony defendants and nearly 112,000 misdemeanor defendants.